



VINAYAKA MISSION'S RESEARCH FOUNDATION, SALEM
(Deemed to be University Declared Under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956)

Ph.D ADMISSIONS BROCHURE – OCTOBER- 2026

Vinayaka Mission's Research Foundation (DU) invites applications for admission in the Ph.D. programme for the session October -2026 both **Full-time / Part-time**.

Please read the following carefully before filling the Application form

I. GENERAL

1.1. Applications are invited for admission to Ph.D. programme offered by Vinayaka Mission's Research Foundation (DU) in the subject areas as indicated in Annexure 1.1

1.2. Candidates admitted to Full-time Ph.D programme should not undertake any assignment/ employment or shall not pursue any other programme of study simultaneously.

1.3. NRI / Foreign Students also can apply for the Full-time programme.

1.4 For Ph.D (part time), a minimum compulsory period of 30 days per year **of residential attendance** has to be put in by the candidate in the respective constituent college of the University.

1.5. The last date for submission of filled in applications is **30.09.2026, by 5.30.P.M.**

1.6. The University reserves the right to admit or not to admit the candidate into any Research programme.

1.7. The Selection of the candidate is **subject to the available vacancies** (details available in the University website) and the decision of the University.

1.8. FINANCIAL SUPPORT

To encourage Full Time Research, VMRF (DU) is offering Research Fellowships for eligible scholars registered in Full time Ph.D programme.



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FELLOWSHIP DETAILS: Rs. 25, 000 to 30, 000/ month – only for Full time Research Scholars.

- Rs. 30, 000/ month - Candidates who have qualified in GATE/NET (Ayush)/UGC - NET (including JRF)/ UGC– CSIR NET(including JRF) SLET//GRE/ CAT/ICMR and any other National Eligibility test based on the merit vacancies.
- For others up to Rs. 25, 000/ month based on the merit.
- The other eligibility criteria like academic, entrance examination, etc will be followed as per the UGC/ University regulations.

II. HOW TO APPLY

- 2.1. Application can be downloaded from the website www.vmrfd.edu.in. Duly filled in application has to be forwarded by the Head of the Department and the Head of the Institution, where the candidate intends to do research.
- 2.2. Candidates are requested to go through the list of vacancies available and approach the Institution and the Department as per their choice. The candidate may discuss with the available Supervisors about doing the Ph.D Programme in the area of interest and the resources available
- 2.3. In addition to the above, the application is to be signed by the employer of the candidate, for applying to part time Ph.D programme.
- 2.4. The completely filled in application along with a Rs.1,000/- (One thousand only) as applicable may be deposit through NEFT/UPI/RTGS by superscribing on the envelope “Application for admission into Ph.D. programme – October 2026 must be sent on or before **30.09.2026**

Address to:

**The Registrar
Vinayaka Mission's Research Foundation (DU)
Sankari Main Road (NH-47)
Ariyanoor, Salem - 636 308, Tamilnadu.
Phone: 0427 – 2529700**

- 2.5. The fees once remitted by the candidates will not be refunded.
- 2.6 The University will not take any responsibility for the non-receipt of applications in time.

***Admission subject to the available vacancies under the specific discipline.**



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III . ELIGIBILITY

Eligibility criteria for admission to Ph.D. Programme

The following are eligible to seek admission to the Ph.D. programme

- 3.1. **Candidates who have completed:** A 1-year/2-semester master's degree program after a 4-year/8-semester bachelor's degree program or a 2-year/4-semester master's degree program after a 3-year / 4-year bachelor's degree program or qualifications declared equivalent to the master's degree by the corresponding statutory regulatory body, with at least 55% marks in aggregate or its equivalent grade in a point scale wherever grading system is followed or equivalent qualification from a foreign educational institution accredited by an assessment and accreditation agency which is approved, recognized or authorized by an authority, established or incorporated under a law in its home country or any other statutory authority in that country to assess, accredit or assure quality and standards of the educational institution. A relaxation of 5% marks or its equivalent grade may be allowed for those belonging to SC/ST/OBC (non-creamy layer)/Differently-Abled, Economically Weaker Section (EWS) and other categories of candidates as per the decision of the Commission from time to time. Provided that a candidate seeking admission after a 4-year/8-semester bachelor's degree program should have a minimum of 75% marks in aggregate or its equivalent grade on a point scale wherever the grading system is followed. A relaxation of 5% marks or its equivalent grade may be allowed for those belonging to SC/ST/OBC (non-creamy layer)/Differently-abled, Economically Weaker Section (EWS) and other categories of candidates as per the decision of the Commission from time to time.

- 3.2. Part Time (Internal) – For regular full time faculty members of VMRF (DU) only.

- 3.3. Part Time (External) :

- a. The candidates working outside VMRF (DU), in other PG institutions preferably.
- b. The candidates from reputed Institution with sophisticated research facilities.



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IV. Procedure for Admission

4.1. Admission shall be made through an Entrance Test / Interview conducted at National Level by the university. Those who qualified for fellowship/ Scholarship in UGC – NET / UGC – CSIR NET /GATE/ CEED and similar level national test are exempted from the entrance test, but have to appear for the interview. However M.Phil. Full-Time / Part-Time candidates are not exempted from the entrance Examinations.

4.2. Date & mode of Entrance Examination & venue will be intimated after scrutinizing the applications.

4.3. The candidates desirous of pursuing Ph.D. degree shall submit the application in the prescribed form through proper channel wherever applicable, on or before the deadline mentioned in each session/quarter of the year to the University. The application form (Annexure I) can be downloaded from university website www.vinayakamission.com.

- i. An Entrance Examination shall be with qualifying marks as 50% & a relaxation of 5% of marks (from 50% to 45%) shall be allowed for the candidates belonging to SC/ST/OBC (Non- Creamy layers)/ EWS (Economically Weaker Section) differently-abled category and other categories candidates as per the notification of UGC from time to time

Entrance Examination will of two parts

- a. Written Examination
- b. Interview
- ii. The syllabus of the Entrance Test shall consist of 50% of research methodology and 50% of subject specific.
 - 10.30 am – 12.00 AM : Written Examination for a maximum of 70 marks.(Time duration subject to change on the basis of mode of Examination)
 - ❖ MCQ of 70 questions of 1 mark each.
 - ❖ Questions from the concerned subjects of PG Degree level.
- iii. Candidates who have secured 50 % marks in the entrance test are eligible to be called for the interview.
- iv. The university may decide the number of eligible students to be called for an interview based on the number of Ph.D. seats available.
- v. A Weight age of 70% to the entrance test & 30% to the performance in the interview/Viva Voce shall be given.



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vi. In interview the candidates are required to discuss their research interest/area through a presentation before Research Committee, constituted by the Head of the Institution. The interview shall also consider the following aspects, namely whether:

- a. The candidate possesses the competence for the proposed research.
- b. The research work can be suitably undertaken at the Institution/ College.
- c. The proposed area of research can contribute to new/additional knowledge.

V. Certificates to be produced for final admission

- Apply for provisional eligibility in the prescribed form which can be downloaded from the VMRF (DU) website. The prescribed eligibility fee has to be deposited along with the form on or before the specified last date.
- Original and two sets of photocopies of Academic Transcripts
- Original and two sets of photocopies of Passing/Qualifying Certificate
- Admission fee and one year tuition fee deposit receipt as proof of Admission
- 6 passport size color photographs
- Original work experience certificate (if applicable)
- Parent's acceptance letter along with ID/original Residential Address Proof
- Original and Photocopy of Passport, National ID, OCI/PIO card (whichever is applicable)
- Photocopy of Indian Visa stamped in the name of VFSTR (NOT APPLICABLE for Bhutan and Nepal students)
- Residential Permit obtained from Local FRO Office (NOT APPLICABLE for Bhutan and Nepal students) / No objection or recommendation letter from the respective Embassy.
- Sponsorship letter from student Organization or Ministry of Education of concerned country (if applicable)
- Medical certificate for health and fitness from any registered medical practitioner (No HIV/AIDS Certificate).



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ANNEXURE: 1.1

Ph.D (Full-time / Part-time) Programme

Areas of Research

- a) Faculty of Arts & Science:**
Ph.D (Full-time / Part-time)
Tamil, English, Physics, Chemistry, Computer Science, Commerce, Mathematics.
- b) Faculty of Management :**
Ph.D (Full-time / Part-time)
- c) Faculty of Dentistry:**
Ph.D (Full-time / Part-time)
- d) Faculty of Engineering & Technology:**
Ph.D (Full-time / Part-time)
Biotechnology, Civil Engineering, Computer Science & Engineering, Electrical & Electronics Engineering, Electronics & Communication Engineering, Mechanical Engineering.
- e) Faculty of Medicine :**
Ph.D (Full-time / Part-time)
Anatomy, Anaesthesiology, Biochemistry (Medical), Community Medicine, General Medicine, Microbiology (Medical), Ophthalmology, Pharmacology (Medical), Physiology (Medical), Pathology, Psychiatry, Orthopaedics, Forensic Medicine.
- f) Faculty of Homoeopathy:**
Ph.D (Full-time / Part-time)
- g) Faculty of Physiotherapy:**
Ph.D (Full-time / Part-time)
- h) Faculty of Rehabilitation & Behavioural Sciences**
Ph.D (Full-time / Part-time)
Clinical Psychology, ASLP
- i) Faculty of Allied Health Sciences**
Ph.D (Full-time / Part-time)
- j) Faculty of Physical Education**
Ph.D (Full-time / Part-time)
- k) Faculty of Interdisciplinary Studies**
Ph.D (Full-time / Part-time)
- l) Faculty of Pharmacy**
Ph.D (Full-time / Part-time)
- m) Faculty of Law**
Ph.D (Full-time)



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FEE STRUCTURE

S.No.	Particulars	Fee
1	Application fee for admission	Rs. 1,000/-
2	Registration fee	Rs. 10,000/-
3	Tuition fee	
	Full Time	Rs. 50,000 / year
	Part Time (External Candidates)	Rs. 75,000 / year
	Part Time (Internal Candidates)	Rs. 25,000 / year (Fee concession of Rs. 50,000 / year)

(for other fees refer www.vmrfd.edu.in)

PAYMENT DETAILS :

Fees as applicable may be deposit through NEFT / UPI / RTGS in favor of Bank details for depositing registration fees through NEFT / UPI / RTGS:



A/C. Name : " VINAYAKA MISSIONS RESEARCH FOUNDATION - DEEMED TO BE UNIVERSITY – PHD"

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